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Containing the freſheſt Advices Foreign and Domeſtick.

From SATURDAY *May* 19, to SATURDAY *May* 26, 1739.

WHereas divers Complaints have been made by the Gentlemen who live in the Country, of not receiving their Gazettes regularly. This is therefore to inform them, that it is not through my Neglect, for I ſend them conſtantly every Week to Mr. Childermas Croft *who informs me that he meets with Opportunities enough, but the Perſons who go up to thoſe Places refuſe to carry them, and as I know no other Place, this is therefore to deſire the ſaid Gentlemen Subſcribers to ſend me proper Directions where they may be ſent for the future that they may have leſs cauſe of Complaint, and their Commands ſhall be obey'd by*

Their moſt humble Servant,
PETER TIMOTHY.

NB. *The Packets which are not ſo carried are the following, viz. For* Dorcheſter *to Mr.* John Roberts *and to Mr.* John Stevens. *For* Gooſe-Creek, *to the Rev. Mr.* Millechamp. *For* Aſhley-Ferry, *to Mrs.* Billiald, *and for* Georgia, *to Coll.* William Stephens.

The following is an Abſtract of a Letter from a Gentleman in London *to a Gentleman of this Place, which I believe will be acceptable to my Readers.*

FRIDAY the 23d of *February*, a Petition was preſented to the Houſe of Commons by *Micajah Perry* Eſq; Lord Mayor of *London*, on the Behalf of the Merchants, Planters and others trading to, and intereſted in the *Britiſh* Plantations in *America*, complaining of the Depredations that had been committed by the *Spaniards* on the *Britiſh* Trade in *America*, and of the fatal Conſequences that would attend the ſame, if a Search of *Britiſh* Ships ſailing to and from the *Britiſh* Plantations was tolerated upon any Pretext or under any Reſtrictions whatever, and praying to be heard before the Houſe, in order to repreſent the great Importance of our Trade to and from our own Plantations in *America*, and the clear and indiſputable Right, which we have to enjoy it without being viſited and ſearched by the *Spaniards* on any Pretence whatſoever. The Petition being read, a Motion was made that we ſhould be heard by Counſel at the Bar of the Houſe in Support of the Petition, which occaſioned a great Deal of Debate both for and againſt the Motion, but at laſt the Houſe divided and it was carried by 242 againſt 207, that we ſhould only be heard upon it by our ſelves, and ſo it is referred to the Conſideration of the Committee of the whole Houſe, who are to conſider of the Convention, which they are to go into on Tueſday the 6th of *March*, at which Time we ſhall attend, and do the beſt we can to ſupport the Petition.

The ſame 23d of *February*, another Petition from the City of *Briſtol* to the ſame Effect was preſented by Mr. *Coſter* one of their Members, and met with the ſame Fate by 237 againſt 208, ſome of the Court Members being then out of the Houſe, and one of the other Side come in.

Petitions from the City of *London* and Merchants of *Liverpool*, have alſo been preſented to the Houſe of Commons on the ſame Subject, and are likewiſe referred to the Committee that is appointed to conſider of the Convention and ſeparate Articles.

The ſame 23d of *February*, a Petition was preſented to the Houſe of Lords by the Duke of *Bedford* on Behalf of the *Weſt-India* Merchants and Planters, being in Subſtance the ſame with that, which was preſented to the Houſe

House of Commons, and it was there moved, that we should be heard upon it by Council, but their Lordships did not think fit to allow thereof, alledging that it was against Precedents, seeing it concerned the Acts of State, and that they believ'd we could tell our own Case as well as Lawyers, who they said would only embellish the Cause, and amuse the Hearers, which very much displeased the Merchants Committee, as supposing that it would tend to prevent the Merchants from ever being heard by Council on any Occasion, and therefore the Committee once thought of not attending, but of leaving the Petition to their Lordships to do therein as they thought fit, but upon being told that it would be taken as shewing a Dis-respect to the Duke of *Bedford*, and some other great Men that had espoused our Case, we resolved to attend and do the best we could, and thereupon Mr. *Drake*, Mr. *Bendish*, Mr. *Fry*, Mr. *Knight* and Mr. *Beckford* were selected from the Committee to speak to the same at the Bar of the House of Lords, which they accordingly did, and managed the Evidence with great Applause, so that the Contents of the Petition were fully proved to their Lordships, who on the *First* of *March* following went into Consideration of that and the Convention as well as the separate Articles, the which were opened and spoke to by Lord *Cholmondley*, who concluded with moving for an Address of Thanks to his Majesty, on the Subject of the Convention, in which he was supported by the Duke of *Newcastle*, Bishop of *Salisbury*, Lord *Chancellor*, Lord *Harvey*, and Lord *Istay*. The Motion was strenuously opposed by the Minority, among whom were the Lord *Talbot*, Lord *Carteret*, Lord *Londsdale*, Duke of *Bedford*, Duke of *Argyle*, Lord *Chesterfield*, and Lord *Bathurst*, most of whom spoke strongly against the Convention, and the pacifick Measures that had been so long taken by the Administration. The Duke of *Argyle* spoke for near Two Hours together, and shewed that our pacifick Measures had brought us into Contempt, and rendered the Honour, Safety and Interest of the Nation despicable and precarious. Lord *Carteret* said he was not afraid that the Point of Search could or would be given up, in express Terms, by any Treaty betwixt us and *Spain*, because he was well assured that no Minister abroad durst agree to any such Treaty, if he ever intended to return to *Great-Britain*, and that no Minister here dared to give any Directions for agreeing therein, if he intended to continue here, nor did the Chancellor dare to affix the Seal to any Treaty of that Nature, and therefore he was in no Pain about its being expressly given up: But he observed that the *British* Trade and Navigation in America, would be ruined and destroyed by our not acting with Vigour, and obliging the *Spaniards* to acknowledge our Right in explicit Terms. Lord *Chesterfield* said that he did not find Fault with the Convention for the Sake of the Author, but that he found Fault with the Author for the Sake of the Convention: That he did not know the Author, nor did he care who he was, but that he knew it was not his Majesty. That the agreeing to the Address proposed, would be approving of the Convention, and addressing the Minister. He and each of the Rest used many other weighty and solid Arguments against it, but all to no Purpose, for, upon dividing the House, it was carried for the Address by 71 against 58 of the Lords present, and by 24 against 16 of the Proxies, so the Address was presented to his Majesty on the next Day, but the Minority have strongly protested against the Motion, and as soon as it comes out I will get a Copy thereof and send over. The Prince and Lord *Scarborough*, with the four Bishops herein after mentioned divided against the Motion, *viz.* *Reynolds* Bishop of *Lincoln*, *Smallbrooke* Bishop of *Litchfield*, *Secker* Bishop of *Oxford*, and *Benson* Bishop of *Glocester*.

How Matters will go in the House of Commons is uncertain, but I believe not much otherways than they did in the other House, so that what Method will be taken to prevent the *Spaniards* from searching our Ships and securing our Trade, no one as yet can tell that I know of.

LONDON, *March* 3.

They write from *Madrid*, that the Embassadors of *Great-Britain* and *Holland* at the *Spanish* Court are under great Uneasiness at what is treating on (besides the Marriages) between that Court and the Count *de la March*, Embassador from *France*: It's assur'd that one of the Articles is, for those two Crowns make a common Cause in respect of supporting the Commerce in *America*: The Embassador of *France* has, it's said, even made some Propositions to the Catholick King concerning the furnishing *New-Spain* with Negroes, which have been

favourably

favourably receiv'd. It's further reported, that a Project is actually form'd between the two Courts to forcibly restrain the Commerce of the Maritime Powers in *America*.

Custom-House, Charlestown,
Entred Inwards.

Ship Mountserrat, John Cooper from Mountserrat.
—— Carolina, Wm. Potter from Madeira.
Entred out,
Ship Mountserrat, John Cooper for London.
Snow Lark, Andr. Knox for Cowes
Brigt. Mary, Wm. Woodrop for London
Scooner Batchelor's Delight, Robt. Cartmell for Cowes.
Sloop Francis, Tuder Tucker for Jamaica.
Clear'd for Departure.
Brigt Carolina, Ja: Metland to Cowes.
Scooner Dorchester, John Parsons to Providence.
Sloop Carolina, Ja. Cowie to ditto.
Sloop Hope, Arthur Branscom to N-Carolina.
Sloop Sarah, John Lefebore to Boston.

EXPORTED from this PLACE since *Nov.* 1, 1738
Rice 44903 Barrels. Pitch 2527. Tarr 477. Turpentine 14 Whereof 4141 Barrels of Rice to the Southward of Cape *Finisterre*

PRICE of the following Goods.

Rice 42 s. 6 d.	Brown —— 3 l. 10 s.
Pitch 30 to 35 s.	Ship —— 4 l
Tar 25 s.	Coarse Salt *per Bush* 10 *lb.*
Turpentine none.	Fine ditto 15 s.
Shins 16 s. 6 d to 28 s. 6 d.	Indian Corn 9 s. to 10 s.
Flour *per C.* 3 l	*Jamaica* Rum *per* Cask 18 s
Middling bread 6 l.	Limejuice 10 s.
Milk —— 2 l. 10 s *per* qu Cask	*Barbados* Rum *per Hhds.* 14 *lb.*
	Melasses *per Hogsh.* 9 *lb.*
White —— 2 l 5 s.	*Madeira* Wine, per Pipe 100 l.
per ditto.	*Fidalia* Wine, *per* ditto 80 l.

Mr. *Daniel Bourget's* great Justice and Generosity (in advertizing that the Price of Bread having been very high he will for the future sell 3 lb. of Bread for 2 s. 6 d.) ought not to be forgotten, and take Butter-flies for Angels, I here under-written do assure the Publick, that the said *Bourget* had no other Motive to be generous but this, viz. that if I would join with him in making Bread so heavy, as that new Beginners (of which there was two lately come in) should not be able to carry on the Trade, they then must inevitably break or go off, and then, that we having the whole Trade in our own Hands, should by Degrees bring down the Weight of our Loaves as we should think fit.
David Villarit.

Just imported

IN Capt. *Potter*, a choice Parcel of MADEIRA WINES, and to be sold by
Elmsall & Osmond.
They have also very good Rhenish Wines to sell.

The Creditors of *Robt Hume* Esq; deceased, are desired to meet Messrs. *Cleland & Wallace* and Mr. *Peter Hume* at the House of Mr. *Chr Shepheard*, on Thursday next being the 31st of this Instant *May*, at 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon.

By Concert of the Gentlemen Subscribers to the philosophical Lecture, this is to give Notice to all said Gentlemen and others, that the same is to be continued on Tuesday each Week at the New-Market-house opposite to *Tradd-street*, at 7 o'Clock in the Afternoon. And as it is agreed upon that if 6 of the Subscribers are present the Lecture shall proceed, Mr. *Anderson* requests they may favour him with their Company at said Hour, that none may be disappointed. Tickets for Gentlemen that have not subscribed to be had from the Servant that attends in said Place at 15 s. each.

In the Council Chamber 11th of May 1739.

ORDERED that the Term for reserving the *Welsh* Tract upon *Pedee*-River, for the sole Benefit of the *Welsh* and *Pensylvanians*, be prolonged for the Space of Two Years from the Expiration thereof in the Month of *August* next, and all Persons are required to take Notice thereof at their Peril.

By Order of his Honour the Lieutenant Governor and his Majesty's Hon. Council,
ALEX. CRAMAHE, C. C.

Whereas *Alex. Hume* of the City of *London* Esq; Devisee of *Robert Hume* late of this Province Esq; deceased, hath impower'd Messrs. *John Cleland, Wm Wallace* and *Peter Hume* or any two of them, to settle and adjust the Affairs of the Deceased. These are to give Notice that all Persons who have any Concerns with, or Demands on the Estate of the Deceased, that they may apply to the said Messrs. *Cleland, Wallace* and *Hume*, in order that they may receive Satisfaction so far as the Estate and Assets of the Deceased will extend.

To be Sold

A Stock of about 250 Head of Cattle, likewise a grey natural pacing Stallion and fine Mares with their Colts, being in a fresh Range at my Cowpen in the Fork of *Edisto*-River. Whoever has a mind to purchase the same may treat with
Abraham Dupont.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, that the Subscriber is removed from the Sign of the Ship at *Dorchester* to the House where Mr. *Bellinger* lately lived at *Ashley-Ferry*, where is to be had good Entertainment for all Gentlemen, &c. And a good Pasture for Horses.
Joseph Bassford.

Taken up a large new Cyprus Canoe about 26 Feet long, and about 4 Feet wide, made out of a whole Tree, taken up by *Eleazer Andrews*. The Owner may have her again of the Widow *Sealey* at *Edisto*-Island, paying the Charges.

STONE and Wood Carving and Carpenters and Joyners Work, done by *Richard Baylis*, from *London* who has two very good Tobacco Engines to dispose of. Any Person inclinable to have either white Servants or Negroes instructed in the Art of Cutting and Curing Tobacco after the same Manner as in *England*, may have them taught: And likewise a very good Still with all Things belonging to it very reasonable.

RUSSELS AND MECKLIN LACES WASHED IN THE BEST MANNER AND DRESSED THE ENGLISH FASHION BY *CATHERINE KAT* OVER AGAINST Mr. *JEANS* PAINTER.

Run away a short well set Negro Man, named *Gella Harry*, lately belonging to the Hon. *Alex. Skene*, has been gone ever since his Sale. Whoever takes him up and brings him to Goal or to my Plantation shall have 10 *l.* paid by
Alex. Vander Dussen.

WHEREAS we whose Names are underwritten, are appointed by proper Authority, to take into our Care and Guardianship the Person and Estate of *John Benfont* alias *Whitefields*, of the Parish of *Christ-Church* in this Province, who upon proper Inquest has been found much disordered in his Senses: These are therefore to require all Persons who are possessed of any Money, Goods, Chattels, or Effects anywise belonging to the said *John Benfont* alias *Whitefields*, or any Deeds, Bonds, Papers, Accounts, or other Matters or Things whatsoever, concerning or appertaining to his Estate, that they forthwith deliver the same into our Hands. And further to give Notice to all Persons, who have any Demands on the said Estate, that they are to apply to us, to have the same settled and discharged.
Alex. Gordon.
John Lawton.

IMPORTED

IN the Ship *Severn* from *Bristol*, and to be sold by *Benj. Savage* and Comp. loaf sugar, white and red lead, linseed oil, bottled beer, bullets, window glass, cinamon, cloves, nutmegs, mace, pepper, hair brooms and brushes, broad hoes, spades, iron pots, quart and pint bottles, sword dogs, pipes, ozenbrigs, 3 4th and 7 8th garlix, cambricks, table linnen, clouting diapers, shirting hollands, platillias, several sorts India goods, as chints and callicoes, muslins, damasks, carridaries, ginghams, serrasheers, handkerchiefs of several sorts, plain and striped persians, patoons, black paduasoys, &c.

They have also to sell, choice old Barbados Rum, Sugar, English Ales and Ship bread.